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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Notice of a Change in Status of the Extended Benefit (EB) Program for the Virgin Islands

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a change in benefit payment status under the EB program for the Virgin Islands.

The following change has occurred since the publication of the last notice regarding the Virgin Islands' EB status:

• The Virgin Islands' 13-week insured unemployment rate (IUR) for the week ending December 02, 2017 was 5.68 percent which exceeds 120 percent of the corresponding rate in the prior year. This caused Virgin Islands to be triggered "on" to an EB period that began December 17, 2017. The State will remain in an EB period for a minimum of 13 weeks.

The trigger notice covering state eligibility for the EB program can be found at: http://oui.doleta.gov/unemploy/claims_arch.asp.

Information for Claimants

The duration of benefits payable in the EB program, and the terms and conditions on which they are payable, are governed by the Federal-State Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 1970, as amended, and the operating instructions issued to the

states by the U.S. Department of Labor. In the case of a state beginning an EB period,

the State Workforce Agency will furnish a written notice of potential entitlement to each

individual who has exhausted all rights to regular benefits and is potentially eligible for

EB (20 CFR 615.13 (c) (1)).

Persons who believe they may be entitled to EB, or who wish to inquire about their rights

under the program, should contact their State Workforce Agency.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: U.S. Department of Labor,

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